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# ON THE COMMUTING VARIETY OF A REDUCTIVE LIE ALGEBRA

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**ABSTRACT.** The commuting variety of a reductive Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the underlying variety of a well defined subscheme of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . In this note, it is proved that this scheme is normal. In particular, its ideal of definition is a prime ideal.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In this note, the base field  $\mathbb{k}$  is algebraically closed of characteristic 0,  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a reductive Lie algebra of finite dimension,  $\ell$  is its rank, and  $G$  is its adjoint group.

**1.1.** The dual of  $\mathfrak{g}$  identifies to  $\mathfrak{g}$  by a non degenerate symmetric bilinear form on  $\mathfrak{g}$  extending the Killing form of the derived algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Denote by  $(v, w) \mapsto \langle v, w \rangle$  this bilinear form and denote by  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  the ideal of  $\mathbb{k}[\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}]$  generated by the functions  $(x, y) \mapsto \langle v, [x, y] \rangle$ 's with  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . The commuting variety  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the subvariety of elements  $(x, y)$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $[x, y] = 0$ . It is the underlying variety to the subscheme  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  defined by  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . It is a well known and long standing open question whether or not this scheme is reduced, that is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$ . According to Richardson [Ri79],  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  is irreducible and according to Popov [Po08, Theorem 1], the singular locus of  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  has codimension at least 2 in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then, according to Serre's normality criterion, arises the question to know whether or not  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  is normal. There are many results about the commuting variety. A result of Dixmier [Di79] proves that  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  contains all the elements of the radical of  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  which have degree 1 in the second variable. In [Ga-Gi06], Gan and Ginzburg prove that for  $\mathfrak{g}$  simple of type A, the invariant elements under  $G$  of  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a radical ideal of the algebra  $\mathbb{k}[\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}]^G$  of invariant elements of  $\mathbb{k}[\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}]$  under  $G$ . In [Gi12], Ginzburg proves that the normalisation of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  is Cohen-Macaulay.

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**1.2. Main results and sketch of proofs.** According to the identification of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and its dual,  $\mathbb{k}[\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}]$  equals the symmetric algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . The main result of this note is the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.1.** *The subscheme of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  defined by  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is Cohen-Macaulay and normal. Furthermore,  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a prime ideal of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ .*

According to Richardson's result and Popov's result, it suffices to prove that the scheme  $\mathcal{S}(\mathfrak{g})$  is Cohen-Macaulay. The main idea of the proof in the theorem uses the main argument of the Dixmier's proof: for a finitely generated module  $M$  over  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ ,  $M = 0$  if the codimension of its support is at least  $l + 2$  with  $l$  the projective dimension of  $M$  (see Appendix A).

Introduce the characteristic submodule of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , denoted by  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . By definition,  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a submodule of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  and an element  $\varphi$  of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in the sum of subspaces  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}$  with  $(a, b)$  in  $\mathbb{k}^2 \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}$  the centralizer of  $ax + by$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . According to a Bolsinov's result,  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a free  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , the dimension of the Borel subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Moreover, the orthogonal complement of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  is a free  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$ . These two results are fundamental in the proof of the following proposition:

**Proposition 1.2.** *For  $i$  positive integer, the submodule  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}} (B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \wedge^{i+b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathfrak{g})$  has projective dimension at most  $i$ .*

Denoting by  $E$  the quotient of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  by  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , let  $E_i$  be the quotient of  $\wedge^i(E)$  by its torsion module. The  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}} (B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  and  $E_i$  are isomorphic. Furthermore, for  $i \geq 2$ ,  $E_i$  is isomorphic to a direct factor of the quotient of  $E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_{i-1}$  by its torsion module. Denoting by  $\overline{E_{i-1}}$  this quotient, the projective dimension of  $\overline{E_{i-1}}$  is at most  $d_{i-1} + 1$  if  $d_{i-1}$  is the projective dimension of  $E_{i-1}$ , whence a proof of the proposition by induction on  $i$ .

Let  $d$  be the  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -derivation of the algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \wedge(\mathfrak{g})$  such that for all  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $dv$  is the function on  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $(x, y) \mapsto \langle v, [x, y] \rangle$ . Then the ideal of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \wedge(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by  $\wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}} (B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  is a graded subcomplex of the graded complex  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \wedge(\mathfrak{g})$ . The support of the homology of this complex is contained in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then we deduce from Proposition 1.2 that this complex has no homology in degree different from  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $\mathbb{k}[\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})]$  is Cohen-Macaulay by Auslander-Buchsbaum's theorem.

**1.3. Notations.** • For  $V$  a module over a  $\mathbb{k}$ -algebra, its symmetric and exterior algebras are denoted by  $S(V)$  and  $\wedge(V)$  respectively. If  $E$  is a subset of  $V$ , the submodule of  $V$  generated by  $E$  is denoted by  $\text{span}(E)$ . When  $V$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{k}$ , the grassmannian of all  $d$ -dimensional subspaces of  $V$  is denoted by  $\text{Gr}_d(V)$ .

• All topological terms refer to the Zariski topology. If  $Y$  is a subset of a topological space  $X$ , denote by  $\overline{Y}$  the closure of  $Y$  in  $X$ . For  $Y$  an open subset of the algebraic variety  $X$ ,  $Y$  is called a *big open subset* if the codimension of  $X \setminus Y$  in  $X$  is at least 2. For  $Y$  a closed subset of an algebraic variety  $X$ , its dimension is the biggest dimension of its irreducible components and its codimension in  $X$  is the smallest codimension in  $X$  of its irreducible components. For  $X$  an algebraic variety,  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  is the algebra of regular functions on  $X$ .

• All the complexes considered in this note are graded complexes over  $\mathbb{Z}$  of vector spaces and their differentials are homogeneous of degree  $-1$  and they are denoted by  $d$ . As usual, the gradation of the complex is denoted by  $C_{\bullet}$ .

- The dimension of the Borel subalgebras of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is denoted by  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Set  $n := b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$  so that  $\dim \mathfrak{g} = 2b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell_{\mathfrak{g}} = 2n + \ell$ .
- The dual  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  identifies with  $\mathfrak{g}$  by a given non degenerate, invariant, symmetric bilinear form  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  on  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  extending the Killing form of  $[\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{g}]$ .
- For  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ , denote by  $\mathfrak{g}^x$  the centralizer of  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . The set of regular elements of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is

$$\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}} := \{x \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \dim \mathfrak{g}^x = \ell\}.$$

The subset  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is a  $G$ -invariant open subset of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . According to [V72],  $\mathfrak{g} \setminus \mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  is equidimensional of codimension 3.

• Denote by  $S(\mathfrak{g})^{\mathfrak{g}}$  the algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ -invariant elements of  $S(\mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $p_1, \dots, p_{\ell}$  be homogeneous generators of  $S(\mathfrak{g})^{\mathfrak{g}}$  of degree  $d_1, \dots, d_{\ell}$  respectively. Choose the polynomials  $p_1, \dots, p_{\ell}$  so that  $d_1 \leq \dots \leq d_{\ell}$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  and  $(x, y) \in \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ , consider a shift of  $p_i$  in direction  $y$ :  $p_i(x + ty)$  with  $t \in \mathbb{k}$ . Expanding  $p_i(x + ty)$  as a polynomial in  $t$ , one obtains

$$(1) \quad p_i(x + ty) = \sum_{m=0}^{d_i} p_i^{(m)}(x, y) t^m; \quad \forall (t, x, y) \in \mathbb{k} \times \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$$

where  $y \mapsto (m!)p_i^{(m)}(x, y)$  is the derivative at  $x$  of  $p_i$  at the order  $m$  in the direction  $y$ . The elements  $p_i^{(m)}$  defined by (1) are invariant elements of  $S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} S(\mathfrak{g})$  under the diagonal action of  $G$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . Remark that  $p_i^{(0)}(x, y) = p_i(x)$  while  $p_i^{(d_i)}(x, y) = p_i(y)$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ .

*Remark 1.3.* The family  $\mathcal{P}_x := \{p_i^{(m)}(x, \cdot); 1 \leq i \leq \ell, 1 \leq m \leq d_i\}$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{g}$ , is a Poisson-commutative family of  $S(\mathfrak{g})$  by Mishchenko-Fomenko [MF78]. One says that the family  $\mathcal{P}_x$  is constructed by the *argument shift method*.

- Let  $i \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$ . For  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , denote by  $\varepsilon_i(x)$  the element of  $\mathfrak{g}$  given by

$$\langle \varepsilon_i(x), y \rangle = \frac{d}{dt} p_i(x + ty) \big|_{t=0}$$

for all  $y$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Thereby,  $\varepsilon_i$  is an invariant element of  $S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  under the canonical action of  $G$ . According to [Ko63, Theorem 9], for  $x$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $x$  is in  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  if and only if  $\varepsilon_1(x), \dots, \varepsilon_{\ell}(x)$  are linearly independent. In this case,  $\varepsilon_1(x), \dots, \varepsilon_{\ell}(x)$  is a basis of  $\mathfrak{g}^x$ .

Denote by  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$ , for  $0 \leq m \leq d_i - 1$ , the elements of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  defined by the equality:

$$(2) \quad \varepsilon_i(x + ty) = \sum_{m=0}^{d_i-1} \varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y) t^m, \quad \forall (t, x, y) \in \mathbb{k} \times \mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$$

and set:

$$V_{x,y} := \text{span}(\{\varepsilon_i(x, y)^{(0)}, \dots, \varepsilon_i(x, y)^{(d_i-1)}, i = 1, \dots, \ell\})$$

for  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ .

## 2. CHARACTERISTIC MODULE

For  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ , set:

$$V'_{x,y} = \sum_{(a,b) \in \mathbb{k}^2 \setminus \{0\}} \mathfrak{g}^{ax+by},$$

and denote by  $P_{x,y}$  the span of  $x$  and  $y$ . By definition, the characteristic module  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the submodule of elements  $\varphi$  of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $V'_{x,y}$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . In this section, some properties of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  are given.

**2.1.** Denote by  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  the subset of elements  $(x, y)$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $P_{x,y}$  has dimension 2 and such that  $P_{x,y} \setminus \{0\}$  is contained in  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$ . According to [CMo08, Corollary 10],  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a big open subset of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $(x, y)$  be in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $P_{x,y} \cap \mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  is not empty.*

- (i) *Let  $O$  be an open subset of  $\mathbb{k}^2$  such that  $ax + by$  is in  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  for all  $(a, b)$  in  $O$ . Then  $V_{x,y}$  is the sum of the  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}$ 's,  $(a, b) \in O$ .*
- (ii) *The spaces  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  and  $[y, V_{x,y}]$  are equal.*
- (iii) *The space  $V_{x,y}$  has dimension at most  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and the equality holds if and only if  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .*
- (iv) *The space  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  is orthogonal to  $V_{x,y}$ . Furthermore,  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  is the orthogonal complement of  $V_{x,y}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ .*
- (v) *The space  $V_{x,y}$  is contained in  $V'_{x,y}$ . Moreover,  $V_{x,y} = V'_{x,y}$  if  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .*
- (vi) *For  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  and for  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$ ,  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$  is a  $G$ -equivariant map.*

*Proof.* (i) For pairwise different elements  $t_{i,1}, \dots, t_{i,d_i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  of  $\mathbb{k} \setminus \{0\}$ , the  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y)$ 's,  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$  are linear combinations of the  $\varepsilon_i(x + t_{i,j}y)$ 's,  $j = 1, \dots, d_i - 1$  for  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ . Furthermore, for all  $z$  in  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$ ,  $\varepsilon_1(z), \dots, \varepsilon_{\ell}(z)$  is a basis of  $\mathfrak{g}^z$  by [Ko63, Theorem 9], whence the assertion since the maps  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{\ell}$  are homogeneous.

(ii) Let  $O$  be an open subset of  $(\mathbb{k} \setminus \{0\})^2$  such that  $ax + by$  is in  $\mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  for all  $(a, b)$  in  $O$ . For all  $(a, b)$  in  $O$ ,  $[x, \mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}] = [y, \mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}]$  since  $[ax + by, \mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}] = 0$  and since  $ab \neq 0$ , whence the assertion by (i).

(iii) According to [Bou02, Ch. V, §5, Proposition 3],

$$d_1 + \dots + d_{\ell} = b_{\mathfrak{g}}.$$

So  $V_{x,y}$  has dimension at most  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . By [Bol91, Theorem 2.1],  $V_{x,y}$  has dimension  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

(iv) According to [Bol91, Theorem 2.1],  $V_{x,y}$  is a totally isotropic subspace with respect to the skew bilinear form on  $\mathfrak{g}$

$$(v, w) \mapsto \langle ax + by, [v, w] \rangle$$

for all  $(a, b)$  in  $\mathbb{k}^2$ . As a result, by invariance of  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ ,  $V_{x,y}$  is orthogonal to  $[x, V_{x,y}]$ . If  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}^x$  has dimension  $\ell$  and it is contained in  $V_{x,y}$ . Hence, by (iii),

$$\dim [x, V_{x,y}] = b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell = \dim \mathfrak{g} - \dim V_{x,y}$$

so that  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  is the orthogonal complement of  $V_{x,y}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Conversely, if  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  is the orthogonal complement of  $V_{x,y}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ , then

$$\dim V_{x,y} + \dim [x, V_{x,y}] = \dim \mathfrak{g}.$$

Since  $P_{x,y} \cap \mathfrak{g}_{\text{reg}}$  is not empty,  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by} \cap V_{x,y}$  has dimension  $\ell$  for all  $(a, b)$  in a dense open subset of  $\mathbb{k}^2$ . By continuity,  $\mathfrak{g}^x \cap V_{x,y}$  has dimension at least  $\ell$  so that

$$2\dim V_{x,y} - \ell \geq \dim \mathfrak{g}.$$

Hence, by (iii),  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

(v) According to [Ko63, Theorem 9], for all  $z$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  and for  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ ,  $\varepsilon_i(z)$  is in  $\mathfrak{g}^z$ . Hence for all  $t$  in  $\mathbb{k}$ ,  $\varepsilon_i(x + ty)$  is in  $V'_{x,y}$ . So  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y)$  is in  $V'_{x,y}$  for all  $m$ , whence  $V_{x,y} \subset V'_{x,y}$ .

Suppose that  $(x, y)$  is in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . According to [Ko63, Theorem 9], for all  $(a, b)$  in  $\mathbb{k}^2 \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\varepsilon_1(ax + by), \dots, \varepsilon_{\ell}(ax + by)$  is a basis of  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}$ . Hence  $\mathfrak{g}^{ax+by}$  is contained in  $V_{x,y}$ , whence the assertion.

(vi) Let  $i$  be in  $\{1, \dots, \ell\}$ . Since  $p_i$  is  $G$ -invariant,  $\varepsilon_i$  is a  $G$ -equivariant map. As a result, its 2-polarizations  $\varepsilon_i^{(0)}, \dots, \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}$  are  $G$ -equivariant under the diagonal action of  $G$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** (i) The module  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a free module of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$  whose a basis is the sequence  $\varepsilon_i^{(0)}, \dots, \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ .

(ii) For  $\varphi$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\varphi$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if  $p\varphi \in B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  for some  $p$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \setminus \{0\}$ .

(iii) For all  $\varphi$  in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is orthogonal to  $[x, y]$ .

*Proof.* (i) and (ii) According to Proposition 2.1(v),  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  for all  $(i, m)$ . Moreover, according to Proposition 2.1(iii), these elements are linearly independent over  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $\varphi$  be an element of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $p\varphi$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  for some  $p$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \setminus \{0\}$ . Since  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a big open subset of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ , for all  $(x, y)$  in a dense open subset of  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $V_{x,y}$  by Proposition 2.1(v). According to Proposition 2.1(iii), the map

$$\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow \text{Gr}_{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathfrak{g}), \quad (x, y) \longmapsto V_{x,y}$$

is regular. So,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $V_{x,y}$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and for some regular functions  $a_{i,m}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ ,  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$  on  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,

$$\varphi(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \sum_{m=0}^{d_i-1} a_{i,m}(x, y) \varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y)$$

for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Since  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a big open subset of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  and since  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  is normal, the  $a_{i,m}$ 's have a regular extension to  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . Hence  $\varphi$  is a linear combination of the  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$ 's with coefficients in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ . As a result, the sequence  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ ,  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$  is a basis of the module  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the subset of elements  $\varphi$  of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$  such that  $p\varphi \in B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  for some  $p$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \setminus \{0\}$ .

(iii) Let  $\varphi$  be in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . According to (i) and Proposition 2.1(iv), for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $[x, \varphi(x, y)]$  is orthogonal to  $V_{x,y}$ . Then, since  $y$  is in  $V_{x,y}$ ,  $[x, \varphi(x, y)]$  is orthogonal to  $y$  and  $\langle \varphi(x, y), [x, y] \rangle = 0$ , whence the assertion.  $\square$

**2.2.** Also denote by  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  the natural extension of  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  to the module  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  be the orthogonal complement of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$ .

(i) For  $\varphi$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\varphi$  is in  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  for all  $(x, y)$  in a nonempty open subset of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ .

(ii) The module  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is free of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$ . Furthermore, the sequence of maps

$$(x, y) \mapsto [x, \varepsilon_i^{(1)}(x, y)], \dots, (x, y) \mapsto [x, \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}(x, y)], \quad i = 1, \dots, \ell$$

is a basis of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

(iii) The orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  equals  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $\varphi$  be in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$ . If  $\varphi$  is in  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , then  $\varphi(x, y)$  is orthogonal to  $V_{x,y}$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Then, according to Proposition 2.1, (iv),  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Conversely, suppose that  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  for all  $(x, y)$  in a nonempty open subset  $V$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . By Proposition 2.1, (iv) again, for all  $(x, y)$  in  $V \cap \Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is orthogonal to the  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y)$ 's,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$ ,  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$ , whence the assertion by Theorem 2.1.

(ii) Let  $C$  be the submodule of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  generated by the maps

$$(x, y) \mapsto [x, \varepsilon_i^{(1)}(x, y)], \dots, (x, y) \mapsto [x, \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}(x, y)], \quad i = 1, \dots, \ell$$

According to (i),  $C$  is a submodule of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . This module is free of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$  since  $[x, V_{x,y}]$  has dimension  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  by Proposition 2.1, (iii) and (iv). According to (i), for  $\varphi$  in  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,

$$\varphi(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \sum_{m=1}^{d_i-1} a_{i,m}(x, y) [x, \varepsilon_i^{(m)}(x, y)]$$

with the  $a_{i,m}$ 's regular on  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and uniquely defined by this equality. Since  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a big open subset of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  and since  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  is normal, the  $a_{i,m}$ 's have a regular extension to  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ . As a result,  $\varphi$  is in  $C$ , whence the assertion.

(iii) Let  $\varphi$  be in the orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$ . According to (ii), for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\varphi(x, y)$  is orthogonal to  $[x, V_{x,y}]$ . Hence by Proposition 2.1, (iv),  $\varphi(x, y)$  is in  $V_{x,y}$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . So, by Theorem 2.1,  $\varphi$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , whence the assertion.  $\square$

Denote by  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  the localizations of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  on  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  respectively. For  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ , let  $C_{x,y}$  be the image of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  by the evaluation map at  $(x, y)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *There exists an affine open cover  $\mathcal{O}$  of  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  verifying the following condition: for all  $O$  in  $\mathcal{O}$ , there exist some subspaces  $E$  and  $F$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , depending on  $O$ , such that*

$$\mathfrak{g} = E \oplus V_{x,y} = F \oplus C_{x,y}$$

for all  $(x, y)$  in  $O$ . Moreover, for all  $(x, y)$  in  $O$ , the orthogonal complement of  $V_{x,y}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$  equals  $C_{x,y}$ .

*Proof.* According to Proposition 2.1, (iii) and (iv), for all  $(x, y)$  in  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $V_{x,y}$  and  $C_{x,y}$  have dimension  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} - \ell$  respectively so that the maps

$$\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Gr}_{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathfrak{g}), \quad (x, y) \longmapsto V_{x,y}, \quad \Omega_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Gr}_{b_{\mathfrak{g}}-\ell}(\mathfrak{g}), \quad (x, y) \longmapsto C_{x,y}$$

are regular, whence the assertion.  $\square$

### 3. TORSION AND PROJECTIVE DIMENSION

Let  $E$  and  $E^{\#}$  be the quotients of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  by  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  respectively. For  $i$  positive integer, denote by  $E_i$  the quotient of  $\bigwedge^i(E)$  by its torsion module.

**3.1.** Let  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  be the duals of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  respectively.

**Lemma 3.1.** (i) *The  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules  $E$  and  $E^\#$  have projective dimension at most 1.*

(ii) *The  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules  $E$  and  $E^\#$  are torsion free.*

(iii) *The modules  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  are the duals of  $E$  and  $E^\#$  respectively.*

(iv) *The canonical morphism from  $E$  to  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  is an embedding.*

*Proof.* (i) By definition, the short sequences of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules,

$$0 \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow 0$$

$$0 \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E^\# \longrightarrow 0$$

are exact. Hence  $E$  and  $E^\#$  have projective dimension at most 1 since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  are free modules by Theorem 2.2 and Proposition 2.3,(ii).

(ii) The module  $E$  is torsion free by Theorem 2.2,(ii). By definition, for  $\varphi$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $\varphi$  is in  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if  $p\varphi$  is in  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  for some  $p$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \setminus \{0\}$ , whence  $E^\#$  is torsion free.

(iii) According to the exact sequences of (i), the dual of  $E$  is the orthogonal complement of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  and the dual of  $E^\#$  is the orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$ , whence the assertion since  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the orthogonal complement of  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  by definition and since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  by Proposition 2.3,(iii).

(iv) Let  $\bar{\omega}$  be in the kernel of the canonical morphism from  $E$  to  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$ . Let  $\omega$  be a representative of  $\bar{\omega}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$ . According to Proposition 2.3,(iii),  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  so that  $\omega$  is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , whence the assertion.  $\square$

Set:

$$\varepsilon = \wedge_{i=1}^{\ell} \varepsilon_i^{(0)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}$$

and for  $i$  positive integer, denote by  $\theta_i$  the morphism

$$S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \longrightarrow \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathfrak{B}_{\mathfrak{g}}), \quad \varphi \longmapsto \varphi \wedge \varepsilon.$$

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer.*

(i) *The morphism  $\theta_i$  defines through the quotient an isomorphism from  $E_i$  onto  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{\mathfrak{b}_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathfrak{B}_{\mathfrak{g}})$ .*

(ii) *The short sequence of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules*

$$0 \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i \longrightarrow E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow 0$$

*is exact.*

*Proof.* (i) For  $j$  positive integer, denote by  $\pi_j$  the canonical map from  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^j(\mathfrak{g})$  to  $\wedge^j(E)$ . Let  $\omega$  be in the kernel of  $\pi_i$ . Let  $O$  be an element of the affine open cover of  $\Omega_{\mathfrak{g}}$  of Lemma 2.4 and let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that

$$\mathfrak{g} = W \oplus V_{x,y}$$

for all  $(x, y)$  in  $O$  so that  $\pi_1$  induces an isomorphism

$$\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} W \longrightarrow \mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E$$



Moreover,  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the kernel of  $\pi_1$ . Then, from the equality

$$\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) = \bigoplus_{j=0}^i \wedge^j(W) \wedge \mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^{i-j}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$$

it results that the restriction of  $\omega$  to  $O$  is in  $\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^{i-1}(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Hence the restriction of  $\omega \wedge \varepsilon$  to  $O$  equals 0 and  $\omega$  is in the kernel of  $\theta_i$  since  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  has no torsion as a submodule of a free module. As a result,  $\theta_i$  defines through the quotient a morphism from  $\wedge^i(E)$  to  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$ . Denote it by  $\vartheta'_i$ . Since  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  is torsion free, the torsion submodule of  $\wedge^i(E)$  is contained in the kernel of  $\vartheta'_i$ . Hence  $\vartheta'_i$  defines through the quotient a morphism from  $E_i$  to  $\wedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \wedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$ . Denoting it by  $\vartheta_i$ ,  $\vartheta'_i$  and  $\vartheta_i$  are surjective since too is  $\theta_i$ .

Let  $\bar{\omega}$  be in the kernel of  $\vartheta'_i$  and let  $\omega$  be a representative of  $\bar{\omega}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then  $\omega \wedge \varepsilon = 0$  so that the restriction of  $\omega$  to the above open subset  $O$  is in  $\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^{i-1}(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . As a result, the restriction of  $\bar{\omega}$  to  $O$  equals 0. So,  $\bar{\omega}$  is in the torsion submodule of  $\wedge^i(E)$ , whence the assertion.

(ii) By definition, the sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact. Then the sequence

$$\mathrm{Tor}_1^{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E, E_i) \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i \longrightarrow E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact. By definition,  $E_i$  is torsion free. As a result,  $B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  is torsion free since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a free module. Then, since  $\mathrm{Tor}_1^{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E, E_i)$  is a torsion module, its image in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  equals 0, whence the assertion.  $\square$

**3.2.** For  $i$  positive integer,  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  has a canonical extension to  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g})$  denoted again by  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer. Let  $T_i$  be the torsion module of  $E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  and let  $T'_i$  be its inverse image by the canonical morphism  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i \rightarrow E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$ .*

(i) *The canonical morphism from  $\wedge^i(E)$  to  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$  defines through the quotient an embedding of  $E_i$  into  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ .*

(ii) *The module of  $T'_i$  is the intersection of  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i$  and  $B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ .*

(iii) *The module  $T'_i$  is isomorphic to  $\mathrm{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^{\#}, E_i)$ .*

*Proof.* (i) According to Lemma 3.1, (iii), there is a canonical morphism from  $\wedge^i(E)$  to  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ . Let  $\bar{\omega}$  be in its kernel and let  $\omega$  be a representative of  $\bar{\omega}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then  $\omega$  is orthogonal to  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}})$  with respect to  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . So for  $O$  as in Lemma 2.4, the restriction of  $\omega$  to  $O$  is in  $\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^{i-1}(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge B_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Hence the restriction of  $\bar{\omega}$  to  $O$  equals 0. In other words,  $\bar{\omega}$  is in the torsion module of  $\wedge^i(E)$ , whence the assertion since  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$  is a free module.

(ii) Since  $\wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$  is a free module, by Proposition 3.2, (ii), there is a morphism of short exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i & \longrightarrow & E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) & \longrightarrow & E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \wedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

Moreover, the two first vertical arrows are embeddings. Hence  $T'_i$  is the intersection of  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i$  and  $B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ .

(iii) According to the identification of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with its dual,  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, E_i)$ . Moreover, according to the short exact sequence of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E^{\#} \longrightarrow 0$$

the sequence of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^{\#}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^{\#}, E_i)$$

is exact. For  $\varphi$  in  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}, E_i)$ ,  $\varphi$  is in the kernel of the third arrow if and only if  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is contained in the kernel of  $\varphi$ . On the other hand, according to the identification of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and its dual,  $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*))$  identifies with  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ . By Proposition 2.3,  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is the orthogonal complement of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  and  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  is a free  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module. So, for  $\psi$  in  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}, \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*))$ ,  $\psi$  equals 0 on  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  if and only if it is in  $B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$ , whence the assertion by (ii).  $\square$

The following corollary results from Lemma 3.3.

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer and let  $\overline{E}_i$  be the quotient of  $E \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  by its torsion module. Then the short sequence of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules*

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^{\#}, E_i) \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i \longrightarrow \overline{E}_i \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact.

**3.3.** Denote by  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}$  the category of finite  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -modules. Let  $\iota$  be the morphism

$$S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*, \quad v \longmapsto (\mu \mapsto \langle v, \mu \rangle)$$

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $A_{\mathfrak{g}}$  be the quotient of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  by  $\iota(S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g})$ . Then the two functors  $A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \bullet$  and  $\text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^{\#}, \bullet)$  of the category  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}$  are isomorphic.*

*Proof.* For  $d$  nonnegative integer, denote by  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(d)$  the full subcategory of  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}$  whose objects are the modules of projective dimension at most  $d$ . Prove by induction on  $d$  that the restrictions to  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(d)$  of the functors  $\text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^{\#}, \bullet)$  and  $A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \bullet$  are isomorphic. Let  $M$  be a finite  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module. Denoting by  $d$  its projective dimension, there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0$$

with  $Z$  a module of projective dimension  $d - 1$  if  $d > 0$  and  $Z = 0$  otherwise.

Suppose  $d = 0$ . Then, from the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E^{\#} \longrightarrow 0$$

one deduces the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^{\#}, M) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, M) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}, M) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^{\#}, M) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since  $C_g$  is a free module,  $\text{Hom}_{S(g \times g)}(C_g, M)$  is functorially isomorphic to  $C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M$ . Then by the right exactness of the functor  $A_g \otimes_{S(g \times g)} \bullet$ , there is an isomorphism of exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(g, M) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}_{S(g \times g)}(C_g, M) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, M) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \delta_0 \uparrow & & \delta_1 \uparrow & & \delta \uparrow & & \\ g \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} M & \longrightarrow & C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M & \longrightarrow & A_g \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Since the two sequences depends functorially on  $M$ , from the isomorphisms of functors

$$g \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bullet \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(g, \bullet), \quad C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} \bullet \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(g \times g)}(C_g, \bullet),$$

we deduce that the restrictions to  $\text{Mod}_{S(g \times g)}(0)$  of the functors  $\text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, \bullet)$  and  $A_g \otimes_{S(g \times g)} \bullet$  are isomorphic.

Suppose the statement true for  $d - 1$ . Setting  $Q := \iota(S(g \times g) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} g)$ , one has two short exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow B_g \longrightarrow S(g \times g) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} g \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow 0, \quad 0 \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow C_g^* \longrightarrow A_g \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since  $E^\#$  has projective dimension at most 1 by Lemma 3.1,  $\text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^2(E^\#, Z) = 0$ . Then, by induction hypothesis, one has a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, Z) & \xrightarrow{d} & \text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, P) & \xrightarrow{d} & \text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, M) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \delta \uparrow & & \delta \uparrow & & \delta_M \uparrow & & \\ 0 \longrightarrow & C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} Z & \xrightarrow{d} & C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} P & \xrightarrow{d} & C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M & \longrightarrow 0 \\ \delta \uparrow & & \delta \uparrow & & \delta \uparrow & & \\ Q \otimes_{S(g \times g)} Z & \xrightarrow{d} & Q \otimes_{S(g \times g)} P & \xrightarrow{d} & Q \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

with exact lines and columns since  $C_g^*$  is a free module. Let  $a$  and  $a'$  be in  $C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} P$  such that  $da = da'$ . Then  $a - a' = da_1$  with  $a_1$  in  $C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} Z$  so that

$$d \circ \delta a - d \circ \delta a' = d \circ \delta \circ da_1 = 0$$

whence a morphism

$$C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} M \xrightarrow{\delta_M} \text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, M)$$

uniquely defined by the equality  $\delta_M \circ d = d \circ \delta$ .

Let  $a$  be in  $\text{Ext}_{S(g \times g)}^1(E^\#, M)$ . Then

$$a = d \circ \delta a_1 = \delta_M \circ da_1 \quad \text{with} \quad a_1 \in C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} P.$$

Hence  $\delta_M$  is surjective. Let  $b$  be in the kernel of  $\delta_M$ . Then

$$b = db_1, \quad d \circ \delta b_1 = 0, \quad \delta b_1 = d \circ \delta b_2 \quad \text{with} \quad b_1 \in C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} P, \quad b_2 \in C_g^* \otimes_{S(g \times g)} Z.$$

so that  $b_1 - db_2 = \delta b_3$  with  $b_3$  in  $Q \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} P$ , whence  $b = \delta \circ db_3$ . As a result, the above diagram is canonically completed by an exact third column and one has an isomorphism of short exact sequences

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, Z) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, P) & \longrightarrow & \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, M) & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \\ A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} Z & \longrightarrow & A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} P & \longrightarrow & A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} M & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Since the two sequences depends functorially on the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow P \longrightarrow M \longrightarrow 0$$

and since the restrictions to  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(d-1)$  of the two functors  $\text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, \bullet)$  and  $A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} \bullet$  are isomorphic, too is their restrictions to  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(d)$ , whence the lemma since all object of  $\text{Mod}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}$  has a finite projective dimension.  $\square$

From the exact sequence,

$$0 \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}}^* \longrightarrow A_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow 0,$$

we deduce the graded homology complex,

$$0 \longrightarrow B_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}}^* \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow 0$$

denoted by  $C_{\bullet}$ . For  $i$  positive integer, let  $d_i$  and  $d'_i$  be the projective dimensions of  $E_i$  and  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i)$ .

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $Q$  be the space of cycles of degree 2 of the complex  $C_{\bullet}$ .*

- (i) *Denoting by  $d'_i$  the projective dimension of  $\text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, E_i)$ ,  $d'_i$  is at most  $\sup\{d''_i - 2, d_i\}$ .*
- (ii) *The complex  $C_{\bullet}$  has no homology in degree 0, 1 and 3. Moreover,  $Q$  identifies with  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i)$ .*
- (iii) *The module  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i)$  has projective dimension at most  $d_i$ .*

*Proof.* (i) From the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow E^\# \longrightarrow 0$$

one deduces the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, E_i) \longrightarrow 0$$

whence the two short exact sequences

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, E_i) \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow 0$$

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, E_i) \longrightarrow 0$$

with  $Z$  the image of the arrow

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{K}}(\mathfrak{g}, E_i) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}, E_i)$$

Denoting by  $d$  the projective dimension of  $Z$ , one deduces the inequalities

$$d'_i \leq \sup\{d-1, d_i\}, \quad d \leq \sup\{d''_i - 1, d_i\}$$

since  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a free module, whence the assertion.

(ii) By right exactness of the functor  $\bullet \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$ ,  $C_\bullet$  has no homology in degree 0 and 1. Moreover, its space of cycles of degree 3 is a torsion submodule of  $C_3$ . Since  $E_i$  is torsion free and since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is free,  $C_3$  has no torsion. Hence  $C_\bullet$  has no homology in degree 3. According to Lemma 3.3,(ii) and (iii),  $\text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i)$  identifies with a submodule of  $\mathfrak{g} \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} E_i$ . According to these identifications,  $Q$  is the space of morphisms from  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \mathfrak{g}$  to  $E_i$ , equal to 0 on  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , that is  $Q = \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i)$ .

(iii) By (ii), one has a short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}(E^\#, E_i) \longrightarrow C_{\mathfrak{g}}^* \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i \longrightarrow 0.$$

So,  $A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  has projective dimension at most  $\sup\{d'_i + 1, d_i\}$ . According to Lemma 3.5,  $A_{\mathfrak{g}} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} E_i$  and  $\text{Ext}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(E^\#, E_i)$  are isomorphic. So by (i),

$$d'_i \leq \sup\{d'_i - 1, d_i\},$$

whence  $d'_i \leq d_i$ . □

The following corollary results from Corollary 3.4 and Lemma 3.6,(iii), since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is free.

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer. Then  $\overline{E_i}$  has projective dimension at most  $d_i + 1$ .*

**3.4.** For  $i$  a positive integer and for  $M$  a  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module, let consider on  $M^{\otimes i}$  the canonical action of the symmetric group  $\mathfrak{S}_i$ . For  $\sigma$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_i$ , denote by  $\epsilon(\sigma)$  its signature. Let  $M_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$  be the submodule of elements  $a$  of  $M^{\otimes i}$  such that  $\sigma.a = \epsilon(\sigma)a$  for all  $\sigma$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_i$  and let  $\delta_i$  be the endomorphism of  $M^{\otimes i}$ ,

$$a \longmapsto \delta_i(a) = \frac{1}{i!} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_i} \epsilon(\sigma) \sigma.a.$$

Then  $\delta_i$  is a projection of  $M^{\otimes i}$  onto  $M_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$ .

For  $L$  submodule of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$ , denote by  $L_i$  the image of  $L^{\otimes i}$  by the canonical map from  $L^{\otimes i}$  to  $(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i}$  and set  $L_{i,\text{sign}} := L_i \cap (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$ . Let  $\bigwedge^i(L)$  be the quotient of  $\bigwedge^i(L)$  by its torsion module. For  $i \geq 2$ , identify  $\mathfrak{S}_{i-1}$  with the stabilizer of  $i$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_i$  and denote by  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$  the submodule of elements  $a$  of  $L_i$  such that  $\sigma.a = \epsilon(\sigma)a$  for all  $\sigma$  in  $\mathfrak{S}_{i-1}$ .

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer and let  $L$  be a submodule of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$ .*

(i) *The module  $L_i$  is isomorphic to the quotient of  $L^{\otimes i}$  by its torsion module.*

(ii) *The module  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$  is isomorphic to  $\bigwedge^i(L)$ .*

(iii) *For  $i \geq 2$ , the module  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$  is a direct factor of  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$ .*

(iv) *For  $i \geq 2$ , the module  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$  is isomorphic to the quotient of  $\overline{\bigwedge^{i-1}(L)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L$  by its torsion module.*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  be submodules of a free module  $F$  over  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ . From the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow L_2 \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow F/L_2 \longrightarrow 0$$

one deduces the exact sequence

$$\text{Tor}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(L_1, L_2) \longrightarrow L_1 \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L_2 \longrightarrow L_1 \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} F \longrightarrow L_1 \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} (F/L_2) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since  $F$  is free,  $L_1 \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} F$  is torsion free. Hence the kernel of the second arrow is the torsion module of  $L_1 \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L_2$  since  $\text{Tor}_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})}^1(L_1, L_2)$  is a torsion module, whence the assertion by induction on  $i$ .

(ii) There is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L^{\otimes i} & \longrightarrow & (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i} \\ \delta_i \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_i \\ L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i} & \longrightarrow & (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i} \end{array}$$

so that  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$  is the image of  $L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$  by the canonical morphism  $L^{\otimes i} \longrightarrow (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i}$ , whence a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i} & \longrightarrow & \bigwedge^i(L) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i} & \longrightarrow & \bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \end{array}$$

According to (i), the kernel of the left down arrow is the torsion module of  $L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$  so that the kernel of the right down arrow is the torsion module of  $\bigwedge^i(L)$  since the horizontal arrows are isomorphisms. Moreover, the image of  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$  in  $\bigwedge^i(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)$  is the image of  $\bigwedge^i(L)$ . Hence  $\overline{\bigwedge^i(L)}$  is isomorphic to  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$ .

(iii) Denote by  $Q_i$  the kernel of the endomorphism  $\delta_i$  of  $(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i}$ . Since  $\delta_i$  is a projection onto  $(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i}$  such that  $\delta_i(L_i)$  is contained in  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$ ,

$$(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i} = (C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes i} \oplus Q_i, \quad L_i = L_{i,\text{sign}} \oplus Q_i \cap L_i$$

whence

$$L_{i-1,\text{sign},1} = L_{i,\text{sign}} \oplus Q_i \cap L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$$

since  $L_{i,\text{sign}}$  is a submodule of  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$ .

(iv) Let  $L'_i$  be the image of  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1}$  by the canonical morphism  $(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)^{\otimes i} \rightarrow \bigwedge^{i-1}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$ . Then  $L'_i$  is contained in  $\bigwedge^{i-1}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L$  since  $\bigwedge^{i-1}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L$  is a submodule of  $\bigwedge^{i-1}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$ . Moreover, the morphism  $L_{i-1,\text{sign},1} \rightarrow L'_i$  is an isomorphism since too is the morphism

$$(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*)_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\mathfrak{g}}^* \longrightarrow \bigwedge^{i-1}(C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*.$$

From (ii), it results the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L & \longrightarrow & \overline{\bigwedge^{i-1}(L)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ L_{i-1,\text{sign},1} & \longrightarrow & L'_i \end{array}$$

with the right down arrow surjective. According to (i), the kernel of the left down arrow is the torsion module of  $L_{\text{sign}}^{\otimes(i-1)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L$ . Hence the kernel of the right down arrow is the torsion module of  $\overline{\bigwedge^{i-1}(L)} \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} L$ , whence the assertion.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.9.** *Let  $i$  be a positive integer. Then  $E_i$  and  $\bigwedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathfrak{g}})$  have projective dimension at most  $i$ .*

*Proof.* According to Proposition 3.2,(i), the modules  $E_i$  and  $\bigwedge^i(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathfrak{g}})$  are isomorphic. Prove by induction on  $i$  that  $E_i$  has projective dimension at most  $i$ . By Lemma 3.1,(i), it is true for  $i = 1$ . Suppose that it is true for  $i - 1$ . According to Corollary 3.7,  $\overline{E_{i-1}}$  has projective dimension at most  $i$ . By Lemma 3.8, for  $L = E$ ,  $E_i$  is a direct factor of  $\overline{E_{i-1}}$  since  $E$  is a submodule of  $C_{\mathfrak{g}}^*$  by Lemma 3.1,(iv) and since  $E_i = \overline{\bigwedge^i(E)}$ . Hence  $E_i$  has projective dimension at most  $i$ .  $\square$

#### 4. MAIN RESULTS

Let  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  be the ideal of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$  generated by the functions  $(x, y) \mapsto \langle v, [x, y] \rangle$  with  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . The nullvariety of  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  is  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Let  $d$  be the  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -derivation of the algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  such that  $dv$  is the function  $(x, y) \mapsto \langle v, [x, y] \rangle$  on  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  for all  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . The gradation on  $\bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  induces a gradation on  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  so that  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  is a graded homology complex.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Denote by  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  the graded submodule  $\bigwedge(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathfrak{g}})$  of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$ .*

- (i) *The graded module  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  is a graded subcomplex of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$ .*
- (ii) *The support of the homology of  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  is contained in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Set:

$$\varepsilon := \bigwedge_{i=1}^{\ell} \varepsilon_i^{(0)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}.$$

Then  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  is the ideal of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  generated by  $\varepsilon$  since  $\varepsilon_i^{(0)}, \dots, \varepsilon_i^{(d_i-1)}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  is a basis of  $\mathbf{B}_{\mathfrak{g}}$  by Theorem 2.2,(i). According to Theorem 2.2,(iii), for  $i = 1, \dots, \ell$  and for  $m = 0, \dots, d_i - 1$ ,  $\varepsilon_i^{(m)}$  is a cycle of the complex  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$ . Hence too is  $\varepsilon$  and  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  is a subcomplex of  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} \bigwedge(\mathfrak{g})$  as an ideal generated by a cycle.

(ii) Let  $(x_0, y_0)$  be in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g} \setminus \mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  and let  $v$  be in  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that  $\langle v, [x_0, y_0] \rangle \neq 0$ . For some affine open subset  $O$  of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$ , containing  $(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $\langle v, [x, y] \rangle \neq 0$  for all  $(x, y)$  in  $O$ . Then  $dv$  is an invertible element of  $\mathbb{K}[O]$ . For  $c$  a cycle of  $\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$ ,

$$d(v \wedge c) = (dv)c$$

so that  $c$  is a boundary of  $\mathbb{K}[O] \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})} C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.** (i) *The complex  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  has no homology in degree bigger than  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .*

- (ii) *The ideal  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension  $2n - 1$ .*
- (iii) *The algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is Cohen-Macaulay.*
- (iv) *The projective dimension of the module  $\bigwedge^n(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathfrak{g}})$  equals  $n$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $Z$  be the space of cycles of degree  $b_{\mathfrak{g}} + 1$  of  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$ . Then we deduce from  $C_{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g})$  the complex

$$0 \longrightarrow C_{2n+\ell}(\mathfrak{g}) \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow C_{n+\ell+2}(\mathfrak{g}) \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow 0.$$

According to Lemma 4.1,(ii), the support of its homology is contained in  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . In particular, its codimension in  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  is

$$4n + 2\ell - (2n + 2\ell) = 2n = n + n - 1 + 1$$

According to Proposition 3.9, for  $i = n + \ell + 2, \dots, 2n + \ell$ ,  $C_i(\mathfrak{g})$  has projective dimension at most  $n$ . Hence, by Corollary A.3, this complex is acyclic and  $Z$  has projective dimension at most  $2n - 2$ , whence the assertion.

(ii) and (iii) Since  $B_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a free module of rank  $b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ,  $\bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  is a free module of rank 1. By definition, the short sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow I_{\mathfrak{g}} \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact, whence the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow \mathfrak{g} \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}}) \longrightarrow I_{\mathfrak{g}} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Moreover, by Proposition 3.9,  $\mathfrak{g} \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  has projective dimension at most 1. Then, by (i),  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension at most  $2n - 1$ . As a result the  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension at most  $2n$ . Then by Auslander-Buchsbaum's theorem [Bou98, §3, n°3, Théorème 1], the depth of the graded  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is at least

$$4b_{\mathfrak{g}} - 2\ell - 2n = 2b_{\mathfrak{g}}$$

so that, according to [Bou98, §1, n°3, Proposition 4], the depth of the graded algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is at least  $2b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . In other words,  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is Cohen-Macaulay since it has dimension  $2b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ . Moreover, since the graded algebra  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has depth  $2b_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , the graded  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})$ -module  $S(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g})/I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension  $2n$ . Hence  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension  $2n - 1$ .

(iv) By (i),  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  has projective dimension  $2n - 1$ . Hence, according to Proposition 3.9 and according to (ii) and Corollary A.3,  $\bigwedge^n(\mathfrak{g}) \wedge \bigwedge^{b_{\mathfrak{g}}}(B_{\mathfrak{g}})$  has projective dimension  $n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** *The subscheme of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  defined by  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is Cohen-Macaulay and normal. Furthermore,  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a prime ideal.*

*Proof.* According to Theorem 4.2,(iii), the subscheme of  $\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{g}$  defined by  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is Cohen-Macaulay. According to [Po08, Theorem 1], it is smooth in codimension 1. So by Serre's normality criterion [Bou98, §1, n°10, Théorème 4], it is normal. In particular, it is reduced and  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is radical. According to [Ri79],  $\mathcal{C}(\mathfrak{g})$  is irreducible. Hence  $I_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is a prime ideal.  $\square$

#### APPENDIX A. PROJECTIVE DIMENSION AND COHOMOLOGY

Recall in this section classical results. Let  $X$  be a Cohen-Macaulay irreducible affine algebraic variety and let  $S$  be a closed subset of codimension  $p$  of  $X$ . Let  $P_{\bullet}$  be a complex of finite projective  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -modules whose length  $l$  is finite and let  $\varepsilon$  be an augmentation morphism of  $P_{\bullet}$  whose image is  $R$ , whence an augmented complex of  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -modules,

$$0 \longrightarrow P_l \longrightarrow P_{l-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow P_0 \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} R \longrightarrow 0.$$

Denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{\bullet}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{K}_0$  the localizations on  $X$  of  $P_{\bullet}$ ,  $R$ , the kernel of  $\varepsilon$  respectively and denote by  $\mathcal{K}_i$  the kernel of the morphism  $\mathcal{P}_i \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_{i-1}$  for  $i$  positive integer.

**Lemma A.1.** *Suppose that  $S$  contains the support of the homology of the augmented complex  $P_{\bullet}$ .*

(i) *For all positive integer  $i < p - 1$  and for all projective  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P})$  equals zero.*



(ii) For all nonnegative integer  $j \leq l$  and for all positive integer  $i < p - j$ , the cohomology group  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{l-j})$  equals zero.

*Proof.* (i) Let  $i < p - 1$  be a positive integer. Since the functor  $H^i(X \setminus S, \bullet)$  commutes with the direct sum, it suffices to prove  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{O}_X) = 0$ . Since  $S$  is a closed subset of  $X$ , one has the relative cohomology long exact sequence

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H_S^i(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow H^i(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow H_S^{i+1}(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \longrightarrow \cdots.$$

Since  $X$  is affine,  $H^i(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  equals zero and  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is isomorphic to  $H_S^{i+1}(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . Since  $X$  is Cohen-Macaulay, the codimension  $p$  of  $S$  in  $X$  equals the depth of its ideal of definition in  $\mathbb{k}[X]$  [MA86, Ch. 6, Theorem 17.4]. Hence, according to [Gro67, Theorem 3.8],  $H_S^{i+1}(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  and  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{O}_X)$  equal zero since  $i + 1 < p$ .

(ii) Let  $j$  be a nonnegative integer. Since  $S$  contains the support of the homology of the complex  $P_\bullet$ , for all nonnegative integer  $j$ , one has the short exact sequence of  $\mathcal{O}_{X \setminus S}$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_{j+1}|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_{j+1}|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_j|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow 0$$

whence the long exact sequence of cohomology

$$\cdots \longrightarrow H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_j) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^{i+1}(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow \cdots.$$

Then, by (i), for  $0 < i < p - 2$ , the cohomology groups  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_j)$  and  $H^{i+1}(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1})$  are isomorphic since  $\mathcal{P}_{j+1}$  is a projective module. Since  $\mathcal{P}_i = 0$  for  $i > l$ ,  $\mathcal{K}_{l-1}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_l$  have isomorphic restrictions to  $X \setminus S$ . In particular, by (i), for  $0 < i < p - 1$ ,  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{l-1})$  equal zero. Then, by induction on  $j$ , for  $0 < i < p - j$ ,  $H^i(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{l-j})$  equals zero.  $\square$

**Proposition A.2.** Let  $R'$  be a  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -module containing  $R$ . Suppose that the following conditions are verified:

- (1)  $p$  is at least  $l + 2$ ,
- (2)  $X$  is normal,
- (3)  $S$  contains the support of the homology of the augmented complex  $P_\bullet$ .

(i) The complex  $P_\bullet$  is a projective resolution of  $R$  of length  $l$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $R'$  is torsion free and that  $S$  contains the support in  $X$  of  $R'/R$ . Then  $R' = R$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $j$  be a positive integer. One has to prove that  $H^0(X, \mathcal{K}_j)$  is the image of  $\mathcal{P}_{j+1}$ . By Condition (3), the short sequence of  $\mathcal{O}_{X \setminus S}$ -modules

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_{j+1}|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}_{j+1}|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_j|_{X \setminus S} \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact, whence the cohomology long exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_j) \longrightarrow H^1(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow \cdots.$$

By Lemma A.1(ii),  $H^1(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1})$  equals 0 since  $1 < p - l + j + 1$ , whence the short exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_{j+1}) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_j) \longrightarrow 0.$$

Since the codimension of  $S$  in  $X$  is at least 2 and since  $X$  is irreducible and normal, the restriction morphism from  $\mathcal{P}_{j+1}$  to  $H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_{j+1})$  is an isomorphism. Let  $\varphi$  be in  $H^0(X, \mathcal{K}_j)$ . Then there exists an element

$\psi$  of  $P_{j+1}$  whose image  $\psi'$  in  $H^0(X, \mathcal{K}_j)$  has the same restriction to  $X \setminus S$  as  $\varphi$ . Since  $P_j$  is a projective module and since  $X$  is irreducible,  $P_j$  is torsion free. Then  $\varphi = \psi'$  since  $\varphi - \psi'$  is a torsion element of  $P_j$ , whence the assertion.

(ii) Let  $\mathcal{R}'$  be the localization of  $R'$  on  $X$ . Arguing as in (i), since  $S$  contains the support of  $R'/R$  and since  $1 < p - l$ , the short sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{K}_0) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{P}_0) \longrightarrow H^0(X \setminus S, \mathcal{R}') \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact. Moreover, the restriction morphism from  $P_0$  to  $H^0(X/S, \mathcal{P}_0)$  is an isomorphism since the codimension of  $S$  in  $X$  is at least 2 and since  $X$  is irreducible and normal. Let  $\varphi$  be in  $R'$ . Then for some  $\psi$  in  $P_0$ ,  $\varphi - \varepsilon(\psi)$  is a torsion element of  $R'$ . So  $\varphi = \varepsilon(\psi)$  since  $R'$  is torsion free, whence the assertion.  $\square$

**Corollary A.3.** *Let  $C_\bullet$  be a homology complex of finite  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -modules whose length  $l$  is finite and positive. For  $j = 0, \dots, l$ , denote by  $Z_j$  the space of cycles of degree  $j$  of  $C_\bullet$ . Suppose that the following conditions are verified:*

- (1)  $S$  contains the support of the homology of the complex  $C_\bullet$ ,
- (2) for all  $i$ ,  $C_i$  is a submodule of a free module,
- (3) for  $i = 1, \dots, l$ ,  $C_i$  has projective dimension at most  $d$ ,
- (4)  $X$  is normal and  $l + d \leq p - 1$ .

Then  $C_\bullet$  is acyclic and for  $j = 0, \dots, l$ ,  $Z_j$  has projective dimension at most  $l + d - j - 1$ .

*Proof.* Prove by induction on  $l - j$  that the complex

$$0 \longrightarrow C_l \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow C_{j+1} \longrightarrow Z_j \longrightarrow 0$$

is acyclic and that  $Z_j$  has projective dimension at most  $l + d - j - 1$ . For  $j = l$ ,  $Z_j$  equals zero since  $C_l$  is torsion free by Condition (2) and since  $Z_l$  a submodule of  $C_l$ , supported by  $S$  by Condition (1). Suppose  $j \leq l - 1$  and suppose the statement true for  $j + 1$ . By Condition (3),  $C_{j+1}$  has a projective resolution  $P_\bullet$  whose length is at most  $d$  and whose terms are finitely generated. By induction hypothesis,  $Z_{j+1}$  has a projective resolution  $Q_\bullet$  whose length is at most  $l + d - j - 2$  and whose terms are finitely generated, whence an augmented complex  $R_\bullet$  of projective modules whose length is  $l + d - j - 1$ ,

$$0 \longrightarrow Q_{l+d-j-2} \oplus P_{l+d-j-1} \longrightarrow \cdots \longrightarrow Q_0 \oplus P_1 \longrightarrow P_0 \longrightarrow Z_j \longrightarrow 0.$$

Denoting by  $d$  the differentials of  $Q_\bullet$  and  $P_\bullet$ , the restriction to  $Q_i \oplus P_{i+1}$  of the differential of  $R_\bullet$  is the map

$$(x, y) \mapsto (dx, dy + (-1)^i \delta(x)),$$

with  $\delta$  the map which results from the injection of  $Z_{j+1}$  into  $C_{j+1}$ . Since  $P_\bullet$  and  $Q_\bullet$  are projective resolutions, the complex  $R_\bullet$  is a complex of projective modules having no homology in positive degree. Hence the support of the homology of the augmented complex  $R_\bullet$  is contained in  $S$  by Condition (1). Then, by Proposition A.2 and Condition (4),  $R_\bullet$  is a projective resolution of  $Z_j$  of length  $l + d - j - 1$  since  $Z_j$  is a submodule of a free module by Condition (2), whence the corollary since  $Z_0 = C_0$  by definition.  $\square$

*Remark A.4.* Let  $D(X)$  be the bounded derived category of finite  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -modules. For  $E$  an object of  $D(X)$ , denote by  $\text{Supp}(E)$  the union of the supports in  $X$  of the homology modules  $H_i(E)$  of  $E$ . By definition, the *homological dimension* of  $E$ , written  $\text{hd}(E)$ , is the smallest integer  $s$  such that  $E$  is quasi-isomorphic

to a complex of projective  $\mathbb{k}[X]$ -modules of length  $s$ . If no such integer exists,  $\mathrm{hd}(E) = \infty$ . Since  $X$  is Cohen-Macaulay, according to [MA86, Ch. 6, Theorem 17.4], we have the following proposition:

**Proposition A.5.** [BM02, Corollary 5.5] *Let  $E$  be a non trivial object of  $D(X)$ . Then for all irreducible component  $\Gamma$  of  $\mathrm{Supp}(E)$ ,*

$$\dim X - \dim \Gamma \leq \mathrm{hd}(E).$$

Corollary A.3 is a little bit similar to Proposition A.5. But it is not a consequence of Proposition A.5 since its proof does not use the normality of  $X$ .

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